(ग) क्या जन साधारण की उनकी समस्याओं को हल करने में सहायता देने हेतु सरकार उन्हें कम शुल्क पर सरकारी वकीलों की सेवाएं उपलब्ध कराने के बारे में विचार कर रही है; यदि हां, तो कब तक ?

विधि, न्याय और कम्पनी कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हंसराज भारद्वाज) : (क) और (ख) हाल ही में मुख्य मंत्रियों और मुख्य न्याय-मूर्तियों की बैठक में ग्रामीण मुकदमों के कम खर्चीले और शीघ्र समाधान को सुनिश्चित करने की दृष्टि से न्यायिक प्रणाली की पुनसंरचना करने की आवश्यकता पर बल दिया गया था। इस संबंध में एक ठोस स्कीम अभी बनाई जानी है।

(ग) ऐसा कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन नहीं है ।

Remuneration for officials deputed for election duties

3187. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Presiding Officers and Polling Officers have been paid remuneration for three days for attending duties in the Delhi State Assembly elections held in November, 1993 whereas the Class IV employees who were also in the team and attended their duties have been paid remuneration for one day only; and

(b) whether Election Commission have received any communication in this regard, if so, whether Government are considering to pay the remuneration for the remaining two days to the Class IV employees also; and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) According to the instructions issued by the Election Commission of India, Presiding Officers and Polling Officers are entitled to remuneration for attending training classes, for takjng elections materials etc. Class IV (Group D) employees are not entitled for any remuneration for these duties. However, Presiding Officers, Polling Officers and Class IV Staff are entitled for remuneration for poll duty and counting duty.

(b) The Election Commission of India have received some representations which are under its consideration.

Vacancies in High Courts

3188. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL : Will the PRIME MINSTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are any vacancies pending Governmental decision, in various High Courts of the country;

(b) if so, the details of the same;

(c) the number of pending cases before each High Court; and

(d) the action Government propose to take to expeditiously liquidate these balances?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) and (b). Statement-I showing the sanctioned strength, number of Judges in position and number of posts lying vacant in various High Courts of the country is enclosed (*See* below).

(c) The requisite information is given in the enclosed statement-II, (*See* below).

(d) For filling up the existing vacancies of Judges in various High Courts of the country, the process of consultation among the concerned Constitutional authorities is on.

A meeting of Chief Ministers and Chief Justices of the High Courts was convened on 4th December, 1993 under the Chairmanship of Prime Minister to consider the problem of arrears cases in courts and to find out ways and means